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INDIAN MARINE CASUALTY INVESTIGATION BUREAU
Dubey Shri Nishikant

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Indian Marine Casualty Investigation Bureau; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the time by which this Bureau is likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a): Yes, Madam. The Government has approved the establishment of the Indian Marine Casualty Investigation Cell.

(b): The objective of the Cell is to undertake investigation into marine casualties, such as groundings, sinking, or collision of vessels or death or grievous injury or missing reports of seafarers. The Cell would be empowered to:

(i) To conduct investigation into causes of shipping casualties.

(ii) Co-opt experts for the conduct of casualty investigation.

(iii) Depute persons within and outside the country for casualty investigation and other related matters.

(iv) Publish reports of finding of casualty investigation in so far as its causes are concerned.

(v) Participate in national and international forum for investigation of marine accident related matters.